

### **REMARKS**

The above-identified application was allowed in the Notice of Allowance dated March 7, 2007. In particular, claims 147-203 were allowed. The issue fee has not been paid.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended by the Examiner during the telephone conference of May 23, 2007 with the undersigned, concerning the filing of this Amendment After Allowance.

Subsequent to the receipt of the Notice of Allowance, Applicants noted that previously withdrawn claims 64-145 contained allowable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten to depend from allowed claim 147, drawn to a support element, and amended to eliminate antecedent basis issues. By this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 64-145 to directly or indirectly depend from allowed claim 147. Thus, amended claims 64-145 are all dependent claims. Claims 64-145 have also been amended to improve their readability and to ensure that all limitations recited in these claims have proper antecedent basis. No new matter has been added by the amendment of claims 64-145. Moreover, Applicants submit that no new issues are raised by these amendments and that no additional search is required because claims 64-145 are allowable at least due to their dependence from allowed claim 147. Applicants further submit that no more than a cursory review of the record is necessary to allow amended claims 64-145. As noted above, all of claims 64-145 depend from allowed claim 147 and as a result of the amendments to claims 64-145, none of the limitations recited in these claims lack antecedent basis.

Each of the requested amendments is fully supported by the specification and drawings, will not require an additional search, and does not raise new issues.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered, the requested changes made, and amended claims 64-145 be allowed along with previously allowed claims 147-203.


Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this Amendment After Allowance, please call the undersigned at (202) 408-4387.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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